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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: ROTH et al.

Group Art Unit: 3733

Serial No.: 10/774,167

Confirmation No.: 7311

Filed: February 6, 2004

Examiner: James L. Swiger III

For: BONE FIXATION SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No.: 8932-875-999

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 7.